## VIII. Glossary

Adjuncts Raw materials other than malt used in making beer which are extract

producing. Common grain adjuncts are corn, rice, wheat barley and soybean products. Most would be in the form of derivatives such as flakes, grits, meals or syrups. Other adjuncts such as honey, cane

sugars and syrups are widely used.

Alcohol A colorless, volatile flammable liquid, C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>0H, that is the intoxicating

agent in fermented and distilled beverages: ethyl alcohol. Produced by

the fermentation of sugars.

Alcohol-free A labeling term that may only be used on labels of malt beverage

products containing no alcohol. Compare with "non-alcoholic".

Alcohol by volume The percent of alcohol present on a volume basis in a liquid. Example:

10 oz. of beer with an alcoholic content of 5.0% by volume would contain 5% of 10 oz. or 0.5 oz (1/2 oz) of 100% ethyl alcohol (200

proof).

Alcohol by weight The percent of alcohol on a weight basis. Since alcohol (specific

gravity of approximately 0.8) weighs less than water (specific gravity 1.0) the percent of alcohol by weight will always be less than that by volume. Beer with an alcohol content of 5.0% by volume has an

alcohol content of approximately 4.0% by weight.

Ale A type of beer with a pronounced hop aroma and flavor; paler in color

and more tart in taste than Lager Beer. In the brewing of ale a top fermenting type of yeast is usually used, whereas in Lager Beer a bottom fermenting yeast is used. Its alcohol content is usually higher

than Lager, often being from 4.0%-5.0% alcohol by weight.

Attenuation The decline in specific gravity of wort during fermentation.

Balling The reading obtained by the use of a Balling Saccharometer which is

graduated to read directly in percent by weight of extract at 60° F.

Also called Original Gravity and Plato.

Barley The principle grain used in producing malt, the basic material for

producing beer.

Barrel The standard industry measurement of beer production, equaling 31

gallons. It is the equivalent of 13.8 cases of 24 12-ounce cans or

bottles.

Beechwood aging The use of beechwood chips during the aging process at some breweries

to aid secondary fermentation.

Beechwood chips Wooden strips made of beechwood approximately one inch wide and 5

to 10 inches long. These are added to beer in storage tanks to aid in

secondary fermentation.

Beer A liquid resulting from the fermentation of a water extract of malt, hops

and/or other' grains, grain products, syrups or sugars containing ½% or more of alcohol by volume. The term includes any fermented malt

beverage.

As defined by 27 CFR 25.11 - "Beer" means beer, ale, porter, stout and other similar fermented beverages (including sake or similar products)

of any name or description containing one half of one percent or more of alcohol by volume, brewed or produced from malt, wholly or in part,

or from any substitute.

Beer stone A grayish-brown deposit on the surface of equipment in prolonged

contact with beer.

Bock beer A specially prepared beer in which a longer roasted malt (caramel malt)

is used. Coloring agents such as sugar coloring or caramel, may also be used. Bock is darker in color and has a sweeter taste than Lager Beer. A seasonal brew, Bock is usually brewed in the winter for consumption

in the spring about Easter time.

Bottom-fermented

beer

A beer that is fermented at a low temperature (43-52° F) using a type of

yeast which settles to the bottom. Lagers, pilsners, bocks and Munchner

are examples of beers in this category. Most American beers are

bottom-fermented.

Brewhouse That part of a brewery where brewing materials are processed into wort

suitable for fermentation.

Brew kettle A cylindrical or pear shaped vessel heated by a steam jacket or steam

coils in which wort from the mashing procedure is boiled with added

hops for several hours. This coagulates undesirable proteins, sterilizes

the wort, and extracts flavor from hops.

Brewer's yeast Excess yeast collected from fermenters during or after fermentation

which is either run down the sewer or sold for the preparation of stock foods and medical products or other legitimate purposes including sale

to other brewers for use in the production of beer.

Brewery The land and buildings where beer is produced and packaged.

Brewer A person who brews or produces beer for sale.

Brew pub

A brewery which contains a tavern where beer and other alcoholic

beverages are sold directly to consumers at retail.

Bung A plug of wood or plastic used for closing the bunghole in a keg.

Caramel malt A malt made from regular malt which is subjected to high heat so that

part of the sugar in the grain kernels is caramelized. Used in the brewing of dark beers such as bock, stout, porter to impart color and

flavor.

Carbon dioxide A gas, C0<sub>2</sub>, which is a natural product of fermentation. Wort sugars are

converted into alcohol and C0<sub>2</sub> during fermentation.

Cereal beverage A beverage, produced either wholly or in part from malt (or substitute

for malt), and either fermented or unfermented, which contains less than ½ of one percent of alcohol by volume. Sometimes called "Near Beer". This product is not taxable but its production and removal are regulated

by the beer regulations.

Colloidal haze The combining of high molecular weight proteins and tannins at

refrigerated temperatures which can cause beer to become cloudy. To

reduce colloidal haze, brewers use chillproofing techniques.

Cooker Usually a cylindrical tank equipped with a stirrer and heated by a steam

jacket where most cereal adjuncts are cooked to break down the cell walls surrounding the starch granules and gelatinize the starch. After cooking, the product is run into the mash tub or tank where the starch is

converted to sugars by enzymes from the malt.

Cooler Any type of apparatus or equipment that cools hot wort from the brew

kettle before it reaches the fermenters. Various types are Coolship,

Baudelot, Plate, Shell and Coil, and Double Pipe.

Counter A mechanical or electrical device that counts units such as the number

of bottles, cans, kegs or pallets passing through it on a production line.

Crowner Equipment for placing closures of bottle caps on bottled beer after

filling.

Cullet Broken or damaged bottle glass. Often this glass is recycled.

Dark beer A dark colored beer, usually bottom- fermented. It is either produced

by 1) using caramelized or roasted malt as a mashing raw material which imparts color, or by 2) adding liquid caramelized sugars or malts

in the storage cellars or to kegs of beer at the time of filling.

Diatomaceous earth Diatomaceous earth is the skeletal remains of microscopic plants which

were deposited in ocean and lake bottoms 21 million years ago. It is

mined, ground, sterilized and calcined into a filter medium.

Draft or draught Beer drawn from a keg or cask. Also called tap beer. Beer packaged in

a container holding one or more gallons may be described as draft beer

if the contents are tap-drawn.

Unpasteurized beer requiring refrigeration for preservation, or beer that has been sterile filtered and aseptically filled, and packaged in normal

bottles and cans, may also be described as draft beer.

Pasteurized beer packaged in normal bottles and cans may be described as "draft brewed," "draft beer flavor" if the label or advertisement states

the beer has been pasteurized.

Dry beer A beer that is fermented with special yeast for a longer period of time

than regular beers; since more sugar ferments out, this results in a less

sweet but more alcoholic beer.

Ebulliometer An instrument used to determine, in percent by volume, the alcoholic

strength of alcoholic liquids. The boiling point of water, which varies because of barometric pressure, and the boiling point of the alcoholic

liquid is ascertained by use of the Ebulliometer. By following

instructions in its use and the tables provided, alcoholic strength results.

Extract The total solids contained in wort. Solids result from extraction of

soluble portions of brewing materials by water and heat in the mashing process. A Saccharometer measures the percent by weight of extracts in

the solution.

Fass or fassing Transferring beer from the fermenting cellars to storage cellars. A

German word.

Fermentation The process by which yeast feeds on sugars converting them into

alcohol and carbon dioxide. At breweries, wort is fermented by the addition of about one pound of yeast per barrel of wort which results in

beer after about seven days.

Filler Equipment that fills bottles or cans.

Government cellars A term applied to refrigerated rooms at breweries where beer, after

passing through the packaging meters, is stored in tanks while waiting

to be packaged.

Grant A trough, usually horizontal, with a removable cover having pipes

leading into and back to the lauter tub and a pipe to the brew kettle, all controlled with valves. At the grant, the straining of extract can be observed, tested with a saccharometer, and recirculated back to the

lauter tub for clarification.

Green beer Beer immediately after primary fermentation prior to lagering or aging;

also called "ruh" beer. Green beer of a slightly different type can also

be found across the country every March 17.

Flocculation To form masses. An important characteristic in the assessment of yeast

is its tendency to flocculate.

High-gravity beer Beer in the storage cellars having a high amount of solids and alcohol

resulting from producing wort with a high extract content. This beer is blended with deaerated water in the storage cellars before passing

through the meters for packaging purposes.

Hop strainer A hop strainer separates hop solid residues from wort directly after the

brew kettle operation. It is not used when hop extracts or pellets are

used.

Hops Clusters of the blossoms of the female hop plant. Oils and resins in

them impart aroma and bitterness to beer. They also contain tannins which have an antiseptic quality that aids in the preservation of beer. Hops are received and added at the brew kettle in a dried compacted

form or as pellets or as a liquid extract.

Kettle break Coagulation of protein matter during boiling.

Krausen The foam layer which forms on the top of the fermenting wort.

Krausening The process of adding a small quantity of actively fermenting wort to

beer in closed finishing tanks causing a secondary fermentation with the object of producing a substantial portion of the beer's carbon dioxide content. Thus the finished beer does not need to be carbonated by the injection of carbon dioxide gas which is done in the case of beers not

krausened. Also known as naturally induced carbonation.

Lager A German word meaning "to store."

Lager beer A bottom-fermented beer which is stored and aged at low temperatures.

It is the most widely sold type of beer in the United States today.

Lauter tub A type of tank used at some breweries for the purpose of separating

spent grain from the wort after receipt from a mash tank. The wort

minus the spent grain is then run into the brew kettle.

Light beer A bottom-fermented beer having less calories than normal beer.

Low alcohol The terms "low alcohol" or "reduced alcohol" may only be used on the

labels of malt beverage products containing less than 2.5% alcohol by

volume.

Malt A product made from grain, almost always barley, used as a raw

material in making beer. Malt is made by 1) soaking grain in water, 2) draining, 3) spreading the wet grain on a floor or in a perforated bottom compartment where it germinates and sprouts and 4) drying the wet sprouted grain where growth stops and the sprouts drop off. Malting develops enzymes in the grain, which chemically changes starch in

grain into sugar, which is a yeast food.

Malt liquor A bottom-fermented beer usually having a higher than normal alcoholic

content. It is brewed with several varieties of malts and hops and is

generally fruity and spicy in flavor.

Mash filter A type of filter in use at some breweries. Placed between the mash tank

and the brew kettle, it separates spent grain from wort. It replaces a

lauter tub.

Mashing An initial step in brewing where ground malt alone or malt and adjuncts

are mixed with water in a vessel using heat and time controls. The conversion of starches to fermentable sugars takes place and solubles are extracted. The resultant solution is "wort" and the soluble matter in

the wort is "extract."

Meter Mechanical or electronic equipment set in pipelines which measures the

quantity, in barrels and fractions, of beer flowing through.

Munchner type beer A bottom-fermented beer, usually having a fuller malt flavor, somewhat

dark, and sweeter due to the use of less hops.

Non-alcoholic The term non-alcoholic may be used on the labels of malt beverage

products, provided that the statement "contains less than 0.5% alcohol by volume" appears in direct conjunction with the word non-alcoholic.

Original gravity Extract of the wort before addition of yeast, determined by the use of a

saccharometer.

Package A bottle, can, or keg.

Pasteurization The partial sterilization of a liquid at a temperature (131-158° F) which

destroys or inhibits the growth of microorganisms. Yeast could

otherwise induce fermentation inside the container causing it to rupture as Carbon Dioxide is produced. At breweries pasteurization may occur in bulk (prior to packaging) or in packages after filling. Some breweries do not pasteurize as such but use a sterile filter and aseptic fill process.

Pilsner A term applied to an especially light, bright, lagered beer. The term

originated in Pilsen, Bohemia. It is not a separate type of beer.

Pitching To add yeast to wort.

Porter A top-fermented beer. Caramelized or roasted malt is almost always

used as an ingredient. Usually sweet, dark, and medium bodied.

Rack house That part of a brewery where kegs or barrels are filled.

Racking To fill kegs with beer.

Reaumur A thermometer used extensively in breweries based on  $0^{\circ}$  at the

thermometer freezing point of water and 80° at the boiling point.

Rebranding Changing or durably covering the original marks and brands on barrels

or kegs.

Ruh Green beer stored in cellars after fermentation. A German word.

Ruh storage Cycle of storage immediately following fermentation. Ruh storage is a

rest period during which various substances settle out from the brew.

Saccharometer A form of hydrometer graduated to read directly in percent by weight of

extract (mostly sugars) in a solution.

Shortages Unaccounted for discrepancies (missing quantities) of any ingredient or

product, including beer, disclosed by physical inventories. They differ from "losses" which are known quantities lost to breakage, casualty

loss, or other unusual cause.

Soaker Equipment for cleaning and sterilizing bottles before filling.

Sparge To distribute water over mash or hops in order to wash out extract.

Spent grains The insoluble malt and adjunct residues remaining after the separation

of wort in a lauter tub, mash filter or Strainmaster. These are usually

sold for cattle feed.

Steam beer A top-fermented beer using bottom-fermenting yeast having a very high

carbon dioxide content. Originated in California.

Sternewirt A tap room at a brewery where beer is served.

Stout A top-fermented beer. Caramelized or roasted malt is used as an

ingredient. It is very dark because licorice is added, and tastes sweet with a strong malt flavor. This word also describes what happens when

you drink too much beer and get too little exercise.

3.2 Beer Beer containing less than 3.2% alcohol by weight. Required by law in

some states, counties, military reservations, college campuses, etc.

**Top-fermented beer** A beer that is fermented at a high temperature (59-72° F) using a type of

yeast which rises to the top. Ales, porters, stouts, and most wheat beers

are examples of beers in this category.

Trub An amorphous mass of coagulated protein compounds. It is formed in

mashing, boiling and in cooling the wort. Trub will absorb certain constituents of the wort and will entrap other matter (like small hop particles) upon sedimentation. This sediment is removed by settling out in a hot wort tank or starting tank, by filtering, or by centrifugation.

Wort (pronounced "wurt") The sugar extract solution derived from mashing

which continues to be called wort in the brewing process until

fermentation is complete.

Yeast At breweries it is a thick ivory colored liquid mass composed of living

cells that feed on sugars and air, producing alcohol and carbon dioxide in the process. About 1½ lbs. of yeast is added per barrel of wort at the

start of fermentation. The pitching rate depends upon the specific gravity of wort, temperature profile and the desired rate of fermentation.

Yield of extract The number of pounds of extract obtained from 100 pounds of brewing

material given in percent.

Zwickel A test cock or sampler on a tank. A German word.